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Sisters in Crime  Orange County



MISSION STATEMENT

To promote the professional development and advancement of women crime writers to achieve equality in the industry.



MEETING PLACE

Irvine Ranch Water District
15600 Sand Canyon Avenue
Irvine, CA 92618

For more information, visit:
www.ocsistersincrime.org



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It's time to renew your membership! To join or renew your membership in our Sisters in Crime Chapter, you must also be a member of National. To renew your national membership, go to: www.sistersincrime.org/. To renew for our chapter, go to: www.ocsistersincrime.org/membership.htm and download the form, or fill out the form at the end of this newsletter and mail it in with your check. You can join national online or send your check to national along with your check for our chapter.

Start the New Year right by renewing your Sisters in Crime membership today!

Following are the dates for OC SinC meetings in 2013. Please mark your calendars.

January 27
February 24
March 24
April 28

May 26
June 23
July 28
August 25

September 15
October 27
November 24
December 15



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FORENSICS FEST 2013

Sunday, Jan. 27th at 2:00 p.m. – Forensics Fest – Please arrive at 1:30 p.m. for mingling and refreshments.

We begin promptly at **2:00 p.m.** with **Richard Longshore**, who began his police career in the Northern California city of Novato in 1966, at age 21. He later joined the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept. and was promoted to the rank of sergeant in 1975. His last uniformed assignment was as a Special Weapons Team Leader. Sgt. Longshore became a detective in 1985 and was assigned to the Homicide Bureau in 1996 until his mandated retirement in 2005. Over the years, Sergeant Longshore conducted more than 230 death investigations, and he was the principal instructor at the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Homicide & Death Investigations School that has trained more than eleven-hundred local, state and federal homicide investigators. Following his retirement, Sergeant Longshore was retained by the Sheriff's Department as a cold case homicide investigator. Richard will discuss several of the cold cases he's been working on.

At **3:00 p.m.**, we'll hear from **Matt Weinstein**, a detective working for the Riverside District Attorney's Office.

His previous detective assignments included:

- Miscellaneous Crap (misdemeanors, anything not specialized)
- Domestic Violence
- Sex Crimes / Crimes Against Children / Elder Abuse
- Fraud/Forgery/Identity Theft
- Crimes against persons (Robberies, assaults, etc.)

He also assisted with a few homicide investigations, was on the part-time CSI team, and on the part-time SWAT team.

At the DA's Office, he has worked in the following areas:

- SACA (Sexual Assault / Child Abuse)
- SAFE/SPIDER Task Force (Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement / Sexual Predator Internet Decoy Enforcement in Riverside)
- PSU (Professional Standards Unit... Internal affairs, political corruption, officer involved crimes, etc.)



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He has also testified as a firearms expert several times and has a collateral assignment on their surveillance/protection/search warrant team.

Feb. 24th at 2:00 p.m. – Forensics Fest – *Please arrive at 1:30 p.m. for mingling and refreshments.*

At **2:00 p.m.**, Beverly Hills Confidential Investigative reporter **Barbara Schroeder** and Beverly Hills Police Dept CSI Supervisor **Clark Fogg**, authors of *Beverly Hills Confidential: A Century of Stars, Scandals and Murders*, will re-examine the sensational and never-to-be-forgotten stories of the past century in Beverly Hills. Some examples include: the Doheny murder-suicide, gangster “Bugsy” Siegel’s contract style murder, Charlie Chaplin’s paternity trial, the death investigation of Lana Turner’s boyfriend Johnny Stompanto, and the mystery surrounding the death of Jean Harlow’s MGM mogul husband Paul Bern. Revisit the most horrific crimes: the heinous Menendez double homicide, the ill-fated Van-Cleef and Arpels attempted heist and triple homicide, and the recent, much publicized shooting of high-powered publicist Roni Chasen. Schroeder and Fogg will share their insight into how greed, jealousy, passion, corruption, and sometimes just simple bad luck, turned the once-idyllic movie star sanctuary into a haven for gruesome headlines.

At **3:00 p.m.**, we have another panel of talented, experienced investigators to enlighten our audience and answer questions, including:

Sam Zuorski - Sam worked for the Costa Mesa Police Department for 40 years, where he wore many hats; e.g. patrol duty, traffic enforcement, C.S.I. and field training. He worked in the detective bureau for 10 years; initially he worked Crimes against Children and then Crimes against Persons – including murders, robberies, sexual assaults & domestic violence. He retired in July 1997, but went back to work part time, where his primary assignment was to organize and work cold cases. Working cold cases involves reviewing the entire case – including every witness statement – conducting interviews, and evaluating all physical, biological and trace evidence.

Daniel McKerren – Daniel specializes in computer forensics and data recovery. He can answer questions regarding computer fraud, falsification of documents, and how to recover data that has been deleted from a computer. He will also address the topic of search warrants, probable cause, and how long it takes to obtain a warrant. (Hint: It’s not quite as fast as it seems on T.V.)



MEETING ROUNDUP

Thank you to all those who contributed to the OC SinC Holiday Party to make it a success.



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MEMBER EVENTS

Terri Nolan's debut novel, *Burden of Truth*, is available now.

“With enough characters and plot twists to fill an entire TV series season, Nolan’s debut mystery doesn’t hold back. Think Mario Puzo goes Irish.” –Library Journal

You and your guests are cordially invited:

An evening with author **Terri Nolan**
in celebration of her debut novel, *Burden of Truth*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2013

4 – 7pm

food, drink, fun

Hosted by Steve and Shelly Morefield
1342 Galaxy Drive
Newport Beach, 92660

Mystery Ink Bookstore will provide books for purchase

Please RSVP by January 12th
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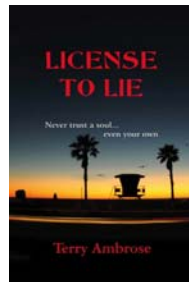
License to Lie by OC SinC member Terry Ambrose has just been published by Oak Tree Press. With \$5 million and their lives on the line, can a determined criminologist and a beautiful con artist learn to trust each other—or themselves?

Anthony, Agatha and Macavity award-winning author Hank Phillippi Ryan said *License to Lie* is "fast-paced, unpredictable, and a lot of fun--no one is who they seem in this smart and twisty tale of high finance and double dealing."



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Never trust a soul...even your own.

The Manipulator, a new ebook thriller by OC SinC member **Michael McQuade**, is now available on Amazon's Kindle, Apple devices other ebook readers.

In *The Manipulator*, Nathan Foster uses a Congressman, a Mafia connection, and an Interpol agent to track down a terrorist group and a money laundering operation in an attempt to influence the Presidential election.

Sisters in Crime member **Gayle Carline** has released *The Hot Mess*, the third book in her Peri Minneopa Mystery Series. Peri is a housecleaner-turned-detective, who traded in her broom for a PI license. Surveillance and background checks are easy money, unless you're getting chased, beaten, or shot—which seems to happen to her more than she'd like.



The ebook version of *The Hot Mess* is available now on Amazon. The paperback version will be released on December 10.



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MYSTERY INK NEWS

Located at: Bridgecreek Plaza
8907 Warner Avenue, #135
Huntington Beach, CA 92647
[714 960-4000](tel:7149604000)

In Store Events:

Saturday, January 26th, 4:00 p.m. – Kids and Young Adult Authors

Sue Zeidler - FLYING THROUGH MUSIC, "...Zeidler portrays music as an idealistic beacon of hope, the solution to all of life's mysteries. A fast-paced, imaginative story." – *Kirkus Reviews*

E. L. Sarnoff – DEWITCHED: The Untold Story of the Evil Queen

Wickedly funny, darkly shocking, and deeply moving

Larry Shapiro – BIRD IN PARADISE, SANDY: The Wayward Cicada

Outside Events:

Sunday, January 13th, 2:00 p.m. – Susan Straight – Fullerton Library - (contact 714 738-6333)

Straight will be talking about her latest novel, BETWEEN HEAVEN AND EARTH. In Rio Seco, California, Glorette Picard is dead and as her uncle searches for her killer, it is found that her life and death are deeply entangled with the dark history of the city and the untouchable beauty that, finally, kills her.

Saturday, January 19th 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. Launch Party!

Terri Nolan – past President of O.C. Sisters in Crime will be holding her Launch Party for her new debut crime novel, **BURDEN OF TRUTH**. Please see *Member Events* above for more information.

New paperback arrivals! Check out our in-store book carousel.

Contact Mystery Ink to order your Personalized Signed Copies of Michael Connelly's new novel, THE BLACK BOX. (714) 960-4000, www.events@mysteryink.com.

Mystery Ink Bookstore, 8907 Warner Avenue, #135, Huntington Beach, (714) 960-4000, www.events@mysteryink.com. Coffee & Wi-Fi now available.



UPCOMING CONFERENCES, CONVENTIONS, and EVENTS



Sisters in Crime/Los Angeles and So Cal Mystery Writers of America welcome both members and non-members to the 2013 California Crime Writers Conference for a weekend of workshops geared to the needs of both emerging and established mystery writers.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Sue Grafton and Elizabeth George

WHEN June 22-23, 2013

WHERE Hilton Pasadena

168 S. Los Robles Avenue, Pasadena, CA

AGENDA

- Elizabeth George: “Finding Your Process” – Sat. from 10:30-11:45
- Michael Levin: “Take your Manuscript from Good to Great: 12 Things you Must do to Make your Novel “Unrejectable!”
- Trident Media literary agent Adrienne Lombardo ACTIVELY looking for crime writers
- Award-winning writer T. Jefferson Parker
- Freelance Editor Kristen Weber
- Hank Phillipa Ryan, award winning author and Emmy-winning news reporter
- Marcia Clark – lead prosecutor in the O.J. Simpson trial and crime writer
- Anthony Manzella, former LA County Deputy D.A., Major Crimes division.
- Four tracks for writers: Business, Craft, Crime, Nuts & Bolts
- Agent & Editor cocktail party
- First Five Pages-manuscript critiques
- Live Auction and Raffle
- Noir Movie Night



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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Established in 2009, CCWC is a biennial writers conference dedicated to education and support. For more information, visit www.ccwconference.org

ABOUT SINC/ LOS ANGELES

The Los Angeles Chapter (SinC/LA) was founded in 1989 and is a non-profit organization. For more information, visit <http://sistersincrimela.com/>

ABOUT MWA/SO CAL

Mystery Writers of America, Inc. (MWA) was established in 1945 for the purpose of promoting and protecting the interests and welfare of mystery writers and to increase the esteem and literary recognition given to the genre. The Southern California (So Cal) Chapter of MWA covers members in California and Nevada below the 36th parallel, as well as all of Arizona and Hawaii. For more information on MWA/So Cal, visit <http://www.socalmwa.com/>



Support your local SinC chapter. Buy a lovely mug at the next meeting, and bring your novels for our Sister Share!



PLEASE CONTRIBUTE!

If you have events coming up or announcements you want to make, let me know. Please send your contributions and suggestions to: Ocsinc.newsletter@gmail.com.

The deadline is the 1st of each month!



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SISTERS IN CRIME ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER

Print and complete this form. NOTE: YOU MUST ALSO JOIN SISTERS IN CRIME NATIONAL TO BE A MEMBER OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER.

Send the completed form with both checks, \$40 payable to Sisters in Crime (National) and \$25 payable to Sisters in Crime, OC to:

Membership

Sisters in Crime, Orange County

P.O. Box 53132

Irvine, CA 92619-3132

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please print all information and list your name as you want it listed in the Membership Directory.

New **Renewal Name: Address:**

Day Phone:

Evening Phone:

Email: I am a (check all that apply):

Mystery Writer **Published** **Unpublished**

Writer in other fields **Published** **Unpublished**

Screenwriter

--Produced: **Features** **TV/Cable** **Other**

Reviewer **Agent** **Bookseller** **Librarian** **Reader**

I would like to help with (check all that apply):

Publicity **Refreshments** **Speakers** **Raffle** **Other:**